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**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:12-cv-00952-CKK**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 06/11/2012

Date Terminated: 05/30/2013

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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06/11/2012	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Filing fee \$ 350 receipt number 0090-2964724) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 06/11/2012)
06/11/2012	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 06/11/2012)
06/11/2012	<u>3</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Jason B. Aldrich on behalf of JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Aldrich, Jason) (Entered: 06/11/2012)
06/11/2012	<u>4</u>	ELECTRONIC SUMMONS (3) Issued as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Consent Form, # <u>2</u> Notice of Consent)(kb) (Main Document 4 replaced on 6/11/2012) (kb,). (Entered: 06/11/2012)
06/11/2012		Case Assigned to Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly. (kb) (Entered: 06/11/2012)
06/12/2012	<u>5</u>	ORDER Establishing Procedures for Cases Assigned to Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly, signed on June 12, 2012. (SM) (Entered: 06/12/2012)
06/19/2012	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 6/15/2012. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 7/15/2012. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 06/19/2012)
06/19/2012	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 06/15/12. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 06/19/2012)
06/19/2012	<u>8</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 6/15/2012 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 06/19/2012)
07/13/2012	<u>9</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Francis, Tricia) (Entered: 07/13/2012)
07/13/2012	<u>10</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Tricia D. Francis on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Francis, Tricia) (Entered: 07/13/2012)
07/19/2012		MINUTE ORDER granting nunc pro tunc <u>9</u> Defendant's Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File an Answer to Plaintiff's Complaint, until and including July 18, 2012. Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on July 19, 2012. (SM) (Entered: 07/19/2012)
08/01/2012	<u>11</u>	<i>Defendant's</i> ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Francis, Tricia) (Entered: 08/01/2012)
08/02/2012		MINUTE ORDER (paperless). Defendant having now filed an <u>11</u> Answer in this Freedom of Information Act action, the parties shall promptly meet and confer and, by no later than AUGUST 9, 2012, file a Joint Status Report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on August 2, 2012. (lcckk3) (Entered: 08/02/2012)
08/09/2012	<u>12</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>Joint Status Report of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Francis, Tricia) (Entered: 08/09/2012)
08/16/2012	<u>13</u>	ORDER adopting the parties proposed schedule regarding the approximately 400 pages of documents that have been released thus far in this case, pursuant to the Joint Status Report <u>12</u> filed by the parties on August 9, 2012. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on August 16, 2012. (SM) (Entered: 08/16/2012)
10/31/2012	<u>14</u>	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time to File <i>Joint Status Report</i> by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC., U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Aldrich, Jason) (Entered: 10/31/2012)

11/01/2012		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>14</u> Parties' Joint Motion for Extension of Time to File Status Report. The parties shall have until and including Monday, November 5, 2012, to file their Joint Status Report. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on November 1, 2012. (SM) (Entered: 11/01/2012)
11/05/2012	<u>15</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>Joint Status Report of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Francis, Tricia) (Entered: 11/05/2012)
11/06/2012		MINUTE ORDER (paperless). By no later than NOVEMBER 28, 2012, the parties shall file a Joint Status Report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. Further, if Defendant releases additional documents to Plaintiff and withholds others, Defendant shall provide Plaintiff with an updated Vaughn Index. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on November 6, 2012. (lcckk1) (Entered: 11/06/2012)
11/08/2012		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/28/2012. (tb,) (Entered: 11/08/2012)
11/28/2012	<u>16</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>Joint Status Report of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Francis, Tricia) (Entered: 11/28/2012)
11/29/2012		MINUTE ORDER (paperless). By no later than DECEMBER 19, 2012, the parties shall file a Joint Status Report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. Further, if Defendant releases additional documents to Plaintiff and withholds others, Defendant shall provide Plaintiff with an updated Vaughn Index. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on November 29, 2012. (lcckk1) (Entered: 11/29/2012)
11/29/2012		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 12/19/2012. (dot) (Entered: 11/30/2012)
12/19/2012	<u>17</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>Joint Status Report of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Francis, Tricia) (Entered: 12/19/2012)
12/19/2012		MINUTE ORDER (paperless). Upon review of the parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, the Court shall grant the parties the additional time requested to continue their negotiations in this case. Accordingly, by no later than JANUARY 23, 2013, the parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report for the Court's review. If the parties determine that a briefing schedule will be required, they will propose such a schedule for the Court's review. Further, if Defendant releases additional documents to Plaintiff and withholds others, Defendant shall provide Plaintiff with an updated Vaughn Index. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on December 19, 2012. (lcckk1) (Entered: 12/19/2012)
12/19/2012		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/23/2013. (dot) (Entered: 12/20/2012)
01/23/2013	<u>18</u>	STATUS REPORT <i>Joint Status Report of the Parties</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Francis, Tricia) (Entered: 01/23/2013)
01/23/2013		MINUTE ORDER (paperless). Upon review of the parties' <u>18</u> Joint Status Report, the Court shall grant the parties' request for additional time to submit a proposed briefing schedule that will conform with the schedules of Plaintiffs counsel and the newly-assigned AUSA. The parties shall have until and including Friday, February 15, 2013, to submit a proposed briefing schedule. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on January 23, 2013. (SM) (Entered: 01/23/2013)
01/23/2013		Set/Reset Deadlines: Briefing Schedule due by 2/15/2013. (dot) (Entered: 01/25/2013)
02/11/2013	<u>19</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Sobia Haque on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Substituting for attorney Tricia Francis (Haque, Sobia) (Entered: 02/11/2013)
02/15/2013	<u>20</u>	STATUS REPORT -- <i>Proposed Briefing Schedule</i> by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC., U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Aldrich, Jason) (Entered: 02/15/2013)
02/15/2013		MINUTE ORDER (paperless). The Court shall grant the parties the schedule requested in their <u>20</u> Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule. Accordingly, Defendant

		shall file its motion for summary judgment by no later than APRIL 15, 2013; Plaintiff shall file its cross-motion for summary judgment and opposition to Defendant's motion for summary judgment by no later than MAY 20, 2013; Defendant shall file its reply to Plaintiff's opposition and its opposition to Plaintiff's cross-motion for summary judgment by no later than JUNE 13, 2013; and Plaintiff shall file its reply to Defendant's opposition to Plaintiff's cross-motion for summary judgment by no later than JULY 1, 2013. These deadlines are firm. The Court has granted the parties the generous schedule requested, and the Court expects the parties to adhere to that schedule. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on February 15, 2013. (lcckk1) (Entered: 02/15/2013)
04/12/2013	<u>21</u>	WITHDRAWN PURSUANT TO NOTICE FILED 4/15/2013..... MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Respond to Plaintiff's Complaint</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Haque, Sobia) Modified on 4/16/2013 (znmw,). (Entered: 04/12/2013)
04/15/2013	<u>22</u>	NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF MOTION by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE re <u>21</u> MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Respond to Plaintiff's Complaint</i> (Haque, Sobia) (Entered: 04/15/2013)
04/15/2013	<u>23</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration Rodrigues)(Haque, Sobia) (Entered: 04/15/2013)
05/20/2013	<u>24</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR.....RESPONSE re <u>23</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>Plaintiff's Response to Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment</i> filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Aldrich, Jason) Modified on 5/21/2013 (znmw,). (Entered: 05/20/2013)
05/21/2013		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>24</u> Response to motion; emailed to jaldrich@judicialwatch.org, cc'd 3 associated attorneys -- The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. Incorrect header/caption/case number, 2. Please refile document, 3. Entered in error; Incorrect case number. (znmw,) (Entered: 05/21/2013)
05/21/2013	<u>25</u>	RESPONSE re <u>23</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment <i>Plaintiff's Corrected Response to Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment</i> filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Aldrich, Jason) (Entered: 05/21/2013)
05/30/2013	<u>26</u>	ORDER. For the reasons stated in the accompanying Memorandum Opinion, Defendant's unopposed <u>23</u> Motion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED, and this case is DISMISSED. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on May 30, 2013. (lcckk1) (Entered: 05/30/2013)
05/30/2013	<u>27</u>	MEMORANDUM AND OPINION. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on May 30, 2013. (lcckk1) (Entered: 05/30/2013)